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GREEN REVOLUTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing green revolution to address the problem of agriculture sector in eastern parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to bring comprehensive reforms in various segments of agriculture sector such as fertilizer, seeds, irrigation and power;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government so far, in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIA)

(a) & (b): Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI), a sub-scheme of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) is being implemented in seven eastern states namely Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, West Bengal and eastern Uttar Pradesh from 2010-2011 to address the constraints limiting the productivity of rice based cropping systems. Under this scheme, various activities like cluster demon- strations of improved package of practices, assets building, site specific activities and marketing support are being undertaken.

With implementation of this programme, the share of rice production of eastern states increased up to 53.75 percent of total all India rice production during 2013-14 (4th advance estimates) which was 48.95 percent during 2010-11.

(c) to (e): Government takes decisions regarding various segments of agriculture sector from time to time. Recently, "Soil Health Card Scheme" has been launched for providing soil health cards to farmers in the country. This scheme will help in judicious use of fertilizers.